

## Village of New Berlin Board Meeting Minutes

6:03 pm on Dec. 18, 2024

Mayor Mike Krall and Trustees Stephen Knox, Kris Neuman, Cindy Morris, Sue Spalding and Stephanie Synder. Additional Attendees: Treasurer Angie Libben, Clerk Debbie Lakamp, Police Chief Terry Nydegger, Atty Jason Brokaw, Cameron Jones (Bennett & Assoc), Mitch Neuman, Cori Davis, Amanda Lazzara (Deputy Clerk) Guests: Rob Brown Absent: Trustee Greg Lokaitis

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order by Mayor Krall at 6:03 p.m.

### Roll Call:

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes	Mayor Mike Krall-Yes
Trustee Lokaitis—Absent	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes	
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes	

**Motion:** Move to approve the agenda and the Nov. 20, 2024, minutes.

Moved by: Trustee Morris      Seconded by: Trustee Neuman  
Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Lokaitis—Absent	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

**Motion:** To waive the remainder Consent Agenda items and approve the GBH bills of \$16,500 for moving fiber lines for sidewalk project, water line bore shot, \$1,500 and emergency ticket on E. Elm St, \$6,840.

Moved by: Trustee Morris      Seconded by: Trustee Neuman  
Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Lokaitis—Absent	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

**Audience:** None

**Clerk:** No Report

**Police:** Written Report. Chief Nydegger is going to Loami to review body camera policies. Grant is covering \$13,000 for new body cameras for New Berlin Police Dept.

### Committee Reports

**Utilities—** Written report.

**Motion:** To approve the purchase of Line Tamer product for up to \$3,000 to keep lines clear.

Moved by: Trustee Morris      Seconded by: Trustee Spaulding  
Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Lokaitis—Absent	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

Overdue water bill balance has been reduced by over \$4,000. Door hangars shut off notices will be placed on Dec. 19, 2024. South Sangamon Water Commission is requesting New Berlin support extending a water rate reduction. Board resolution to be considered in January 2025 meeting. New Berlin water testing will move to Springfield lab versus a Peoria lab.

**Internet**—No Report

**Zoning**—No Report.

**Streets/Parks**—Written Report. Leaf clean up, preparation for lighted holiday parade and ordering new flags for the veteran’s memorial are the monthly highlights. The fence company has reached out regarding splash pad gate and hinge so work will move forward. The board told staff to look into overhead door improvements for maintenance shop at Village Hall.

**TIF: No Report.**

**Finance**—

**Motion:** To approve Deputy Clerk Amanda Lazzara as an online banking user with her own online username at Warren Boyton Bank.

Moved by: Trustee Neuman      Seconded by: Trustee Morris  
Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Lokaitis—Absent	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

**Motion:** To pay Pat Johnson \$400 for time and supplies purchased to organize Village files when it was understaffed.

Moved by: Trustee Synder      Seconded by: Trustee Knox  
Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Lokaitis—Absent	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

**Health & Safety** — No Report.

**Personnel**— Welcome to Deputy Clerk Amanda Lazzara.

**Motion:** To approve Deputy Clerk Amanda Lazzara’s Locis remote training on technical reports at \$100 per hour not to exceed \$800.

Moved by: Trustee Morris      Seconded by: Trustee Knox  
Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Lokaitis—Absent	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

**Motion:** To approve Deputy Clerk Amanda Lazzara’s Locis training on accounting and auditing to be done remotely and to not exceed \$1,760 which equals \$110 per hour.

Moved by: Trustee Morris      Seconded by: Trustee Knox  
Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
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Trustee Lokaitis—Absent  
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes

Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes  
Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

### **New Business —**

**Motion:** To approve Ordinance 24-11 for Levy & Assessment of Taxes for Village of New Berlin for fiscal year beginning May 1, 2024 and ending April 30, 2025.

Moved by: Trustee Morris      Seconded by: Trustee Neuman  
Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Lokaitis—Absent	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

**Motion:** To approve pay Cosier Lot Lease of \$2,400.

Moved by: Trustee Synder      Seconded by: Trustee Spalding  
Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Lokaitis—Absent	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

### **Old Business — None**

### **Liquor— No Report**

**Motion:** To go into Executive Session at 7:06 pm regarding purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. (5ILCS 120/2c (5), and (5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11) Litigation when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent.

Moved by: Trustee Morris      Seconded by: Trustee Knox  
Motion carries.

Trustee Neuman—Yes	Trustee Stephanie Synder- Yes
Trustee Lokaitis—Absent	Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes
Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes	Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes

### **Return to Regular Session at 7:42 pm**

**Motion:** To adjourn.

Moved by: Trustee Knox      Seconded by: Trustee Neuman  
Motion carries. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Lakamp  
Village Clerk